



PRESS RELEASE
ON THE KICK-OFF EVENT FOR THE EU
"LARGE SCALE RESTORATION OF COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS THROUGH RIVERS
TO SEA CONNECTIVITY - REST-COAST"

The kick-off event for the EU "Large scale RESToration of COASTal ecosystems through rivers to sea connectivity - REST-COAST", under Horizon 2020, took place on 3-5 November 2021 in Barcelona, Spain.

REST-COAST aims to demonstrate to what extent upscaled coastal restoration can provide a low-carbon adaptation, reducing risks and providing gains in biodiversity for vulnerable coastal ecosystems, such as wetlands or seagrass beds.

The BSEC PERMIS, together with 37 other international organizations and institutions from 11 countries, submitted a project proposal which was accepted for funding with a total amount of 18 million EUR. The project which started operating on 1 October 2021, shall increase the commitment of citizens, stakeholders and policy makers for a long-term maintenance of restoration.

The two and half days of the kick-off event were dedicated to the presentations of all stakeholders involved in the project.

The responsible BSEC PERMIS Executive Manager, Ms. Rositsa STOEVA, made a presentation highlighting PERMIS's capacity in supporting the project's implementation by contributing to the communication and dissemination activities through its extensive network of stakeholders in the wider Black Sea area and beyond